

10/08/04

1743/4#  
IPW



Practitioner's Docket No.: 791\_167

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: Toshikazu HIROTA, Takao OHNISHI

Serial No.: 09/977,567

Group Art Unit: 1743

Filed: October 15, 2001

Examiner: Brian R. Gordon

Conf. No.: 2012

For: MICROPIPETTE, DISPENSER AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING BIOCHIP

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

"EXPRESS MAIL" mailing label number EV 60707 1419 US.

I hereby certify that this paper or fee is being deposited on **October 7, 2004** with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 CFR §1.10 addressed to:

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

*Janet M. Stevens*  
Janet M. Stevens

AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 20, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** are described on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Abstract** begin on page 16 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 17 of this paper.

**Appendix A** is a Substitute Specification and is attached following page 17 of this paper.

**Appendix B** is a Version of the Specification With Markings to Show Changes Made and is attached following **Appendix A**.